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<u>PATENT</u> IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Corrado Fogher	Group Art No.: 1638
Application No: 09/743,823	Examiner: Collins, Cynthia E
Filed: August 22, 2001	Re: AMENDMENT
For: "A synthetic polynucleotide"	Our Ref: B-4075PCT 618484-4
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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This paper is filed in response to the Official Action dated December 22, 2004, a reply to which is due no later than <u>June 22, 2005</u>. A petition for a one-month extension of time and a check for the requisite fee are enclosed. Please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks with respect to the subject application. <u>All amendments and remarks herein are made without prejudice.</u>

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.

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